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## Mayor Ballard Issues Final Revocation of Charter for The Project School

INDIANAPOLIS – Mayor Greg Ballard today issued final notice of charter revocation to The Project School. On July 17, the Mayor's Office of Education Innovation announced its intent to revoke the charter for the school, which under the terms of the charter, allowed up to 15 days for the school to respond. After thoughtful and careful consideration of the school's July 20, 2012 response, it was determined the school did not meet the standards established for Mayor-sponsored charter schools. Therefore, The Project School's charter is hereby revoked, effective immediately.

"I take very seriously the responsibility to hold all schools accountable for their performance to our children," said Mayor Ballard. "It is never an easy decision to close a school. By most objective measurements, The Project School failed to deliver on the promises made in its charter agreement with our city and to the students it pledged to serve and it has offered no credible plan to address these problems."

The Project School, located at 1145 E. 22<sup>nd</sup> St., served 311 students in grades K-8. It opened in 2008.

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